

MINUTES OF THE CASHMERE CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2017 AT CASHMERE CITY HALL

OPENING

Mayor Jeff Gomes opened the regular city council meeting at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Clerk-Treasurer Kay Jones took minutes.

ATTENDANCE

|        | <u>Present</u>   | <u>Not Present</u>                                       |
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| Mayor: | Jeff Gomes<br>Skip Moore<br>Jim Fletcher<br>Dave Erickson<br><br>Derrick Pratt | Kameon Smith   |
| Staff: | Kay Jones, Clerk-Treasurer   | Mark Botello, Director<br>Chuck Zimmerman, City Attorney |

FLAG SALUTE

EXCUSED ABSENCES

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Pratt to excuse the absence of Councilor Smith. Motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFORMATION

Mayor Gomes presented Councilor Skip Moore with a Certificate of Appreciation. On behalf of the staff and citizens of the City of Cashmere Mayor Gomes extended sincere appreciation for his outstanding performance, his commitment and dedication to excellence as a council member since January 2006.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No public comment.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Gomes added Item #2 Cashmere-Dryden Airport sewer charges.

MOVED by Councilor Fletcher and seconded by Councilor Erickson to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of November 27, 2017 Regular Council Meeting

Payroll and Claims Packet Dated December 11, 2017

Claims Direct Pay and Check #38494 through #38523 totaling \$42,066.90

Payroll Direct Deposit and Check #38490 through #38493 totaling \$105,406.12

Manual Check #38489 replacing lost Check #38344

Affirm the members of the tree Committee for 2018

MOVED by Councilor Moore and seconded by Councilor Fletcher to approve the items on the consent agenda. Motion carried.

PAT JONES AND JC BALDWIN – UPDATE ON THE PORT PROPERTY

Port District Director Pat Jones and Port District Commissioner J.C. Baldwin were present to update the City Council on the progress at the port property. Director Jones reported that the Port received a "No Further Action" letter from the Department of Ecology on the portion of property south of Mill Road. This portion of property was declared surplus and put up for sale. BJ Louws owner of Louws Truss Company purchased the property.

The Port is working on getting a "No Further Action" letter from DOE on the remaining property between Mill Road and Sunset Highway.

CASHMERE-DRYDEN AIRPORT SEWER CHARGES

During an internal audit, the City discovered the Airport was not being charged for sewer services. The City notified the Airport of the oversight and sent a bill for six years of back charges as allowed by RCW. The county's legal recommended that the County Commissioners advise the Airport to pay the sewer charges. The Airport is requesting approval to make annual payments over six years to pay off the back charges.

The Mayor and staff believed the six years was an extended period of time and recommended a three-year payment term with annual payments of \$5,523.84.

MOVED by Councilor Erickson and seconded by Councilor Moore to approve the Mayor and Staff recommendation of a three-year payment term. Motion carried.

PROGRESS REPORTS

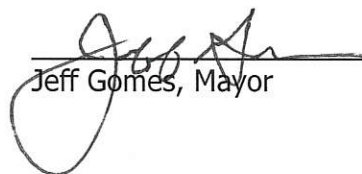
Mayor Gomes reported that the hazardous trees on Evergreen are gone. The PUD arborist Bill Sanborn will keep an eye on the other trees in the area.

Mayor Gomes swore in elected council members Daniel Scott, Dave Erickson, and Jim Fletcher for the 4-Year term of 2018-2021.

Councilor Smith arrived at 6:28 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Gomes adjourned the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

  
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Jeff Gomes, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Kay Jones, City Clerk-Treasurer